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Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether the International Labour Conference (89th session) was held recently in Geneva:

(b) if so, the details of discussions held and the outcome thereof:

(c) whether a new set of safety standards for agricultural workers has been adopted in the conference:

(d) if so, the details in this regard; and

(e) the reaction of the Government thereto?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI MUNI LALL)

(a) Yes, Sir. The 89the Session of the International Labour Conference was held in Geneva from 5th -21st June, 2001.

(b) The issues relating to Safety and Health in Agriculture, Social Security, and Promotion of Cooperatives formed theagenda items for discussion during the Conference.

(c) to (e) The issue of Safety and Health in Agriculture was discussedfor the second and final stage leading to the adoption of a Convention supplemented by a Recommendation with an overwhelming majority. This Convention and Recommendation stressed on the preventive, protective and welfare measures to be taken for the health and safety of agricultural workers.

India had supported and welcome the proposed Convention on Safetyand Health in Agriculture. The formal intimation of the adoption of the instruments as also their texts are yet to be received from the ILO.